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Winter is back on its feet again.

The British saw them first on the sea.

Fresh accessions for Davy Jones' fleet!

Samuel W. McCall's other name is Persistence.

We see that William Travers Jerome is still devoted to his life work—the shadow for a man named Thaw.

There are a few people in New Hampshire who bid adieu to Thaw sadly; they are the hotel keepers and restaurateurs.

We never knew there were so many Democratic lawyers of judicial stature in Vermont until Judge James L. Martin died.

Judge George M. Powers' day as chief justice of the Vermont supreme court is, of course, coming, and all in due course of procedure.

Mr. Villa of Mexico does not realize perhaps what a pitifully weak little side-show he is running, as compared with the big tent exhibition across the water.

Henry Ford's tremendous success in the business world has given him a very optimistic opinion of human nature in general and of criminals in particular. Everything looks rosy to a man who has won marked success.

The Pittsfield, Mass., department store which sent a baby's complete clothing outfit to the Sayre infant in the White House loses out just where it no doubt expected to gain—the papers censored the name of the store in announcing the fact. These hard-hearted censors!

If Barre people were as careful in handing out money to professional beggars as they are in their usual business affairs, Barre would be a field of far less easy picking for the mendicants without well-defined credentials. As it is, Barre is recognized as an "easy mark" for this class of the human species.

If the British government carries out its promise of sending 1,000,000 fresh troops over to Europe by the first of March, there will be a rather dubious outlook ahead for the German emperor. A million fresh troops would serve like a huge blanket if properly directed.

A dangerous suggestion was made to the Farmers' club of the legislative session of 1915 when that influential body organized one night last week, but fortunately for the club and the state it died aborning. One of the members proposed that when the club should take action on a matter up for legislative consideration, the vote of the club should be binding on all members and the farmer vote should consequently be cast as a unit. Credit is due President Farnham of Montpelier for nipping this plot in the bud.—St. Albans Messenger.

The Messenger and Mr. Farnham take a very proper position as regards a somewhat disquieting proposal. Supposing the Farmers' club should take a vote on a matter to come before the legislature and a bare majority should be found in favor of the passage of the bill patterned thereafter, that would make it incumbent upon a number almost equal to one-half the Farmers' club members to vote against their convictions and in favor of the proposed legislation. That would impose a restraint on individual independence of thought that is most desirable in securing the best legislation, and such a restraint would not serve to the best interests of the state. It may be well enough for the Farmers' club to take a formal expression of sentiment in its own meetings but such voting never should go to the extent of binding action.

## BACK WHERE HE BELONGS.

A wanderer in a state other than his own for a period of 16 months, Harry K. Thaw is now back again in New York, where the offense was committed which brought him before the courts and where he was being held in asylum because of mental condition which was considered not sound. During that long period of comparative freedom from restraint Thaw has lived in much the same manner as any other person would live who had the means at his command that Thaw has. He has defied the legally constituted authorities of the state of New York in their efforts to restore him to their jurisdiction much longer than the average person would have been able to do. Now, however, he is back in the state where he rightfully belongs. It is not New Hampshire's problem how Thaw shall spend the remainder of his life; nor is it Vermont's problem, nor the problem of any other state than New York. The crime with which he was charged was alleged to have been committed in New York; he was indicted there, he was tried there, he was found not guilty by reason of insanity and there he was being kept under formal restraint until that day when he slipped out of Montpelier asylum for the insane and dodged across country into Canada and then back into the United States by way of Vermont and New Hampshire. The mere fact that he was caught in New Hampshire does not impose upon New Hampshire the duty of harboring Thaw for an indefinite time; nor does it impose the

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demand that Thaw's future status be determined by the courts of that state. Hence it is with considerable degree of satisfaction that the public learns Thaw has been returned to the state upon which devolves, by right, all responsibility for the settlement of the issues that have arisen. Now let the New York courts go ahead and determine what Thaw's rights are; the remainder of the states will rest content in such decision as evolves from regularly constituted hearings there, because Thaw is back home after many months' wandering—that is, home insofar as the location of his activities is concerned. He is New York's problem.

## CURRENT COMMENT

## THE BURNS ANNIVERSARY

Influence of Scottish Bard Remains Remarkable.

Robert Burns was born something more than 150 years ago in a clay biggin by the roadside in Ayr. He died in a small room in the Mill House Brae in Dumfries. With the exception of one trip into north of Scotland, his whole life was passed in a territory not much larger than a New England county. He had small opportunities for mingling with the great and powerful, or even with the educated, and his own education ceased at an early age. With the exception of two winters spent in Edinburgh his whole life was passed among the lower classes. He died young and aside from his songs—some originals adapted to old tunes, some revisions of old songs, and some really original verses—he left behind a comparatively small literary product. It is doubtful if he himself realized the value of his work. His early and best poems were written without thought of publication, read to a group of friends or at some tavern gathering or a Masonic meeting, and might never have been published had not his misfortunes led his friends to suggest it to him.

We do not observe the birthday of Milton or Shakespeare, of Chaucer or Spenser or Tennyson or Browning, but all over the civilized world, not alone where Scots have gone but wherever "John Anderson My Jo," or "Bonnie Doon" or "Auld Lang Syne" have been sung the natal day of the Scotch poet is observed.

Milton has had a larger influence on theologic thought than most preachers or polemicists. Shakespeare is held up to literary students and literary societies as the great wonder of the English world. Milton dealt with spiritual matters and gods and goddesses. Shakespeare was a great adapter. From Plutarch's Lives and Holinshed's Chronicles he took long passages almost verbatim, and touching the dry verbiage of some old chronicler with the wand of his genius he made it blossom as living verse.

Burns never copied, never adapted. He wrote from his own heart and his own experience, and because he had experienced largely and felt deeply he touched the heart of humanity and created a bond of human sympathy with the generations that have followed him. His high enjoyment, his deepest sorrows, his dark repentance, all were freely told, and though he wrote for a narrow circle and dealt almost exclusively with the experiences of a Scottish peasant, he conceived and expressed sentiments whose worth and power have been bounded by no limitations of time or country, but have become a part of the common heritage of the English speaking race.

He had known poverty, want and wretchedness, the wild tavern brawl, the

ferocious delights of controversy, the scorn of the "unco guid," the rebuke of the "rigidly righteous," the warmth of friendship, the tenderness of the deeper passion, and so, writing from his own experience, he touched with tender hand the experiences of others and wrought himself into their lives through his verse.

"And so his fierce and tender Lives, and his lightest words remain To fought oblivion, that in vain Strives to destroy One lightest record of his pain Or of his joy. And though thrice staller names decay His own will wither not away While plighted lad and lass shall stray Among the broom, While evening touches glen and brae with noly gloom."

Burns has survived the attacks of the "unco guid" of his time and has received from poets themselves as fine recognition as from the people to whom his work seems most specially directed. Longfellow, Lowell and Whittier wrote sympathetically and appreciatively of his work, and of the three Whittier, who most resembled him, may be quoted:

"Let those who never erred forget His worth in vain bewailings; Dear soul of song, I own my debt, Unscathed by his failings."

Or again

"Give lettered pomp to teeth of time If 'Bonnie Doon' but tarry; Blot out the epic's stately rhyme But spare his 'Highland Mary'." —Boston Herald.

## DR. N. SEEVER'S FUNERAL.

Brought Together Many People at Rutland.

Rutland, Jan. 25.—Largely attended funeral services for Rev. Dr. Norman Seaver of this city, the prominent Congregational clergyman who died Thursday, were held at the church of his former pastorate, the Congregational, yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Friends saw the body between 1:30 and that hour. Many prominent men from all over the state who had known him were in attendance, and all the Protestant clergymen in the city.

Rev. Arthur Howe Bradford, present pastor of the church, was the officiating clergyman, and pronounced a eulogy upon his former colleague. The honorary bearers were 10 deacons of the church, Henry F. Field, J. H. Hoadley, Henry A. Harman, George K. Montgomery, George E. Chalmers, Asher Burdett, Edward S. Curtis, Henry A. Hall, Isaac Thomas, Andrew B. Engstrom. The active bearers were Mr. C. Webber, P. M. Meldon, F. M. Wilson, F. J. Wade, C. E. Tuttle, E. E. Morse.

The order of service was as follows: Organ prelude; anthem, "The Lord Is My Shepherd," by the choir; invocation by the pastor; hymn, "Lord of All Being, Throned Afar," by the congregation; reading of scripture and prayer by the pastor; anthem, "Lead, Kindly Light," by the church quartette; address by the pastor; soprano solo, "The Light of the World," by Mme. Ravi-Brooks; benediction by the pastor, and organ postlude.

Burial was in Evergreen cemetery. The flowers included roses from the Congregational church at Montpelier, which Dr. Seaver once supplied, pieces from Killington lodge of Odd Fellows and the deacons of the local Congregational church, and from Rev. F. W. Irvin, former pastor of the First Baptist church here. There was an unusually large display of flowers of all kinds from private friends and relatives. Among the many present from outside the city were Judge and Mrs. Frank L. Fish of Vergennes, and Mrs. O. S. Tonks of Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

## Constant Progress!

Our constantly widening circle of acquaintances and our substantial growth in deposits during the past year are indications of sound progress; and to our friends and patrons, to whom our success is largely due, we would express some measure of our appreciation.

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## WILLIAMSTOWN

E. H. Hallett of St. Johnsbury Center, lecturer of the state grange, made an official visit to the local grange at its last meeting and gave a very interesting and instructive talk.

Mrs. Emma Hutchinson has gone to Montpelier, where she is employed at the Pavilion farm by our old townsman, Oscar W. Emery.

Superintendent Leonard D. Smith, Principal L. W. Hayes and several of the teachers in town attended the meeting of the Washington County Teachers' association Friday and Saturday in Barre.

Edson D. Smith has gone to Barre for a visit to his daughter, Mrs. W. M. Mercur.

Warnings have been posted for a meeting of the voters in the fire district to be held at the town hall on the evening of Thursday, Jan. 28, at 8 o'clock p. m. The object of the meeting is to see if the district will instruct its prudential committee or a committee to be chosen for the purpose to buy a fire engine or fire pump and also hose for the same. Further, to see if the district will vote to buy a site and build an enginehouse and raise money to defray the expense incurred and elect committees authorized to act for the district in these matters.

W. H. Stewart has not been in his usual good health for several months and has gone to the Mary Fletcher hospital in Burlington for treatment.

Eugene H. Call had a severe attack of rheumatism last week and was compelled to stay in bed for a few days. He is now improving.

The Home Study club is to meet with Mrs. George E. Wilber on Thursday afternoon. The topic is, "Industries of Vermont," conducted by Mrs. Walter E. Granger. Quotations from Vermont authors. Current events in Vermont.

Some of our older citizens will remember Rev. Emory J. Haynes, who lately died at his home in Poughkeepsie, N. Y. His father was a Methodist minister and he was stationed here somewhere about 1860. The Methodist parsonage at that time was the house on Main street formerly occupied by Dr. George E. Lane and later by James K. Lynde. The church at that time was situated on the General Bass farm, now owned by Mrs. T. C. Waldo, and the site was a little south of a point opposite the O. A. Blanchard house, a large elm tree now standing being in the yard in front of the church. This church was taken down when the present M. E. church was built in 1866 and the best of the lumber was used in building the vestry in the rear of the church. Mr. Haynes was a prominent minister in the Methodist denomination, being pastor of the People's temple and also at another time of Tremont temple, both in Boston. He was the author of "A Farmhouse Colweb," a story of rural life which was widely read at one time.

The fire district, through its committee, is arranging to buy a quantity of hand fire extinguishers of the same kind as were used so successfully in fighting the fire in the grange hall a few weeks ago. These are to be furnished at cost and this will be not more than \$7.50. Anyone wishing to order one of these who has not already done so may speak or phone to any member of the committee, Charles M. Seaver, Jason E. Martin and George Marr.

Mrs. Ella Perrin Wheeler, who lately died at her home in Des Moines, Ia., was the youngest daughter of the late Samuel Taboott Perrin, a well-known citizen of Williamstown, whose farm was on one of the hill roads to Barre, lying directly west of the David Gale farm. Two older sisters, Zelma (Mrs. Wilbur F. Leavins), and Emma, first wife of Gordon Martin, died previously.

The storm of last Saturday prevented

a full attendance at the meeting of the Rural Good Luck club with Mrs. George T. Colby. Among those present was Mrs. Frank A. Lang (Alma Woolcut), of Barre, who is the guest of Mrs. Colby for a short time.

Frank B. Lougee of West Chazy, N. Y., has lately been in town for a few days visiting relatives, and especially his aunt, Miss Cornelia Lougee, who has been a sufferer from heart trouble for several months.

Myron J. Whitcomb of East Barre, who has occupied the store known as the Fred Ainsworth building on Depot street for something more than a year past, has moved his stock of goods, consisting of coffins, caskets and undertakers' supplies, to the block formerly occupied by Edson Bros., next door below, the building being now owned by Dr. Lewis D. Martin of Barre.

## WATERBURY

Mrs. Clyde C. Morse has received news of the death of her aunt in Cambridge.

Mrs. W. R. Clark and Mrs. E. E. Joslyn have been visiting Mr. Clark's parents in St. Albans. Mr. Clark spent Sunday there.

Roswell Childs of Moretown has been with his mother, Mrs. Albert Rattee, in this village.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Francis of Winooski have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Francis.

E. A. Griffith, who is through work for the present for the Demerit company, has secured work with J. E. Crossett.

William Ferris, Jr., and daughter, Verna, were over-Sunday guests of Mr. Ferris' parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Ferris.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Adams of Randolph were over-Sunday guests of their son, Attorney Charles B. Adams, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Campbell.

## WEST BERLIN.

Miss Ella Ayers went to Woodsville, N. H., Thursday to spend a few days with her niece, Mrs. W. C. Keyes.

Mrs. George Ayers and son, Albert, visited Mrs. M. J. Ayers and Mrs. A. W. Sanders Friday.

Miss Addie Kimball was in Montpelier Thursday.

Miss Madge Moody was in Northfield Thursday.

Mrs. B. M. Morse of Duxbury is stopping with her sister, Mrs. M. J. Robinson.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Glines have gone to Kve with their daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Bailey.

Mrs. H. W. Crockett and daughter, Viola, were in Montpelier Friday.

John Crony of Northfield was in town Friday.

Mrs. Spaulding of Montpelier visited her sister, Mrs. Joe Rich, last week.

Miss Nellie Tillotson and Wilbur Armstrong, teachers in the graded school, attended the teachers' conference in Barre, Friday and Saturday.

Mrs. Walter Johnson of Montpelier spent last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Gove. Mr. Johnson visited at the same place Sunday.

There will be a baked bean supper in ladies' aid hall next Thursday evening, followed by an entertainment consisting of a farce, also vocal and instrumental music, reading, etc. The proceeds are to be divided between the ladies' aid society and the Belgian relief fund.

## GRANITEVILLE.

Meeting of branch No. 12, G. W. U. of N. A., in Miles' hall Wednesday evening, Jan. 27, at 7 o'clock. Important business. A good attendance is desired.

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 These were \$10.00 and \$12.00.  
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 Ladies' Petticoats.....69c, 89c, 98c, \$1.25  
 Silk Petticoats at.....\$1.75, \$1.98, \$2.25, \$2.75  
 Odd lot Dress Goods, 50c kind, at, per yard... 25c  
 Odd lot \$1.25 Shirt Waists for..... 79c  
 Odd lot \$1.50 and \$1.98 Waists for..\$1.00 and \$1.25  
 Gingham—8c kind, this week, per yard..... 6c  
 Gingham and Wash Goods up to 25c yd., per yd. 10c

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12½c light and dark Percale, per yard..... 10c  
 New Dress Goods, per yard..... 25c, 50c, 75c  
 New spring House Dresses.....85c and \$1.00  
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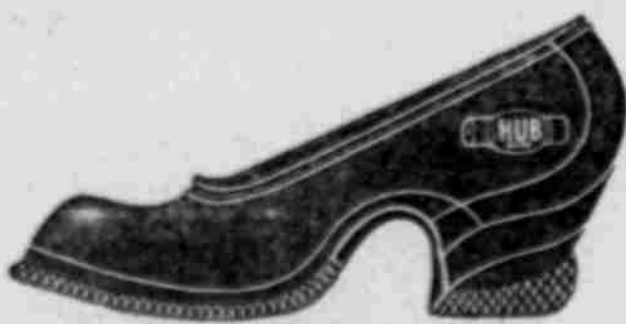
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